

CLAIMS

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1. A therapeutic appliance for treating dissecting aortic aneurysms comprising providing a stretchable bag-like element on and along the end portion of a catheter, said bag-like element being in the form of a flat film when not holding a fluid inside and in the form of a tube when holding a fluid inside, and the inside film and outside film that compose said bag-like element are partially joined.

2. The therapeutic appliance according to claim 1, wherein joining of the films is in the form of a plurality of linearly joined portions parallel to the axis of the catheter with the exception of the front edge and rear edge of the bag-like element.

3. A therapeutic appliance for treating dissecting aortic aneurysms comprising providing a stretchable bag-like element on and along the end portion of a catheter, said bag-like element being substantially rectangular, and said bag-like element being in the form of a flattened film when not holding a fluid inside and in the form of a plate when holding fluid.

4. The therapeutic appliance according to claim 3, wherein joining of the films is in the form of a plurality of linearly joined portions parallel to the axis of the catheter with the exception of the front edge and rear edge of the bag-like element.

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5. The therapeutic appliance according to either of claims 3 or 4, wherein a spring material that applies force to at least the leading edge and rear edge of the bag-like element so as to wrap around the catheter in the free load state, is arranged so as to be perpendicular to axis of the

catheter.

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- 5 6. The therapeutic appliance according to any of claims 1 to 5 having an additional film on the outside of the bag-like element, said additional film composes a space that allows the holding of fluid inside with the outside film that composes the bag-like element.
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